

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior version and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-52. (cancelled)

53. (currently amended) A method of controlling a display on a display apparatus in response to ~~one or more~~ at least one processing ~~units~~ unit, ~~the method characterized by the steps of~~ comprising:

receiving a request from one of the at least one processing ~~units~~ unit for acquiring one of predefined display areas;

determining whether ~~or not~~ to provide an authorization to acquire the one of the predefined display areas in response to the request; and

monitoring whether ~~or not~~ the authorization to acquire the one of the predefined display areas is provided to a processing unit when a display processing is implemented by the processing unit;

wherein, when a plurality of requests for acquiring the same one of predefined display areas from a plurality of processing units are received ~~in the receiving step~~, the authorization is provided to ~~one and only one of the~~ a single processing ~~units~~ unit that made one of requests for acquiring the same one of the predefined display areas.

54. (currently amended) A controlling method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 53, further comprising ~~the step of~~ disabling a display processing by a processing unit to which the authorization is not provided.

55. (currently amended) A controlling method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 53, wherein the processing unit ~~is~~ comprises an application.

56. (currently amended) A controlling method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 53, wherein the processing unit ~~is~~ comprises a plurality of applications.

57. (currently amended) A controlling method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 53, wherein the authorization is provided to the processing unit having a higher predefined priority.

58. (currently amended) A controlling method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 53, further comprising ~~the step of~~ notifying the ~~one of the~~ at least one processing units whether ~~or not~~ the authorization is given.

59. (New) A device for controlling a display on a display apparatus in response to at least one processing unit, comprising:

a receiver that receives a request from at least one processing unit to acquire one of predefined display areas;

a determining device that determines whether to provide an authorization to acquire the one of predefined display areas in response to the request; and

a monitoring device that monitors whether the authorization to acquire the one of predefined display areas is provided to a processing unit when a display processing is implemented by the processing unit, wherein, when a plurality of requests for acquiring the same one of predefined display areas from a plurality of processing units are received by the receiver, the authorization is provided to a single processing unit that made one of the requests for acquiring the same one of predefined display areas.

60. (New) The device of claim 59, further comprising a disabling device that disables display processing by a processing unit to which the authorization is not provided.

61. (New) The device of claim 59, wherein the processing unit comprises an application.

62. (New) The device of claim 59, wherein the processing unit comprises a plurality of applications.

63. (New) The device of claim 59, wherein the authorization is provided to a certain processing unit having a higher predefined priority.

64. (New) The device of claim 59, further comprising a notifying device that notifies the at least one processing unit whether the authorization is given.

65. (New) A computer-readable medium that stores a plurality of instructions to be executed by at least one processor to control a display on a display apparatus in response to at least one processing unit, the plurality of instructions comprising:

receiving a request from one processing unit to acquire one of predefined display areas;

determining whether to provide an authorization to acquire the one of predefined display areas in response to the request; and

monitoring whether the authorization to acquire the same one of predefined display areas is provided to a processing unit when a display processing is implemented by the processing unit, wherein, when a plurality of requests to acquire the one of predefined display areas from a plurality of processing units are received, the authorization is provided to a single processing unit that made one of the requests to acquire the same one of predefined display areas.

66. (New) The computer-readable medium of claim 65, further comprising disabling display processing by a processing unit to which the authorization is not provided.

67. (New) The computer-readable medium of claim 65, wherein the processing unit comprises an application.

68. (New) The computer-readable medium of claim 65, wherein the processing unit comprises a plurality of applications.

69. (New) The computer-readable medium of claim 65, wherein the authorization is provided to a certain processing unit having a higher predefined priority.

70. (New) The computer-readable medium of claim 65, further comprising notifying the at least one processing unit whether the authorization is given.